

# A STRONG MESSAGE.

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Gov. CeCullough Favors the Massachusetts Law with Some Modifications for the Control of Liquor Traffic-- It Should Yield Large Revenues-- Matter of Licensing Should Be Entrusted to a Special Board--Druggists Licenses Should Be Restricted--Primeries Should Be Guarded the Same as Elections---Gen. E. L. Bates Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs-- Another License Bill.

The many surmises as to who would be secretary of civil and military affairs for Governor McCullough were set at rest yesterday when it was learned that the States as noted elsewhere. The appointment is considered on all sides a happy one, and McCullough is expected to accept. The office and the man seem to be in happy accord. General Bates is one of the best known and most capable men in the State and those having business in the executive chamber will find the office of governor's secretary hedged about with no red tape or unkindness.

Governor McCullough has appointed E. N. Bennett of Remington executive clerk.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.

Secretary of State Fleetwood took the oath of office this morning, the oath be-

the counties.

The duty and the responsibility of a secretary of state rests upon whom you; the function of the executive be advisory.

The reading message of my predecessor delivered yesterday is so full and exhaustive and gives such a comprehensive review of the affairs of the State for the past year that it is difficult to add with most valuable suggestions, that only remains for the present executive to read and to present to the General Assembly to give these suggestions their most careful consideration.

There are many in the State officers and of the boards of trustees or superintendents of the State institutions during the year, and it is to be hoped that they will be able to give the State which is expected to be a successful

Record of yesterday read and approved.

**BILLS INTRODUCED.**

S. 2, by Senator Backus, a high license and local option act.

Senator Royce introduced a joint resolution

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on premises; second, to sell malt liqu  
clider and light wines with not more th  
1 per cent, of alcohol, to be drunk on

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